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FIRST DAY.

Tuesday, Dec. 12th, 1905. First day of the Third Regular Session of the Fifth County Council, under the County Councils Act of 1896.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the Chair.

The roll was called by the Clerk and all the members answered to their names.

The minutes of the last day of the June Session were read and confirmed.

Several communications were read and laid on the table.

Mr. E. H. Eastman asked to have an extension of time of his Auctioneer's License, owing to his illness.

No. 1—On motion of Mr. Jamieson, seconded by Mr. Sutton.

Ordered,

That the communication from the County Clerk, of Waterloo, be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council, with power to report thereon.

No. 2—On motion of Mr. Cowan, seconded by Mr. Knight,

Ordered,

That the communication from S. H. Kent, Secretary of the Ontario Municipal Association, be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council, with power to report.

Some time was spent in an informal discussion of various matters that will claim the attention of the Council during the Session.

No 3—On motion of Mr. Cope, seconded by Mr. Squire.

Ordered,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet again to-morrow.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest:

E. Boughner,
County Clerk,
Co. Norfolk.

THOS. HAMBLY,
Warden.

SECOND DAY.

COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13TH, 1905.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

The roll was called by the Clerk, all the members present.

The minutes of the first day's Session were read and confirmed.

The Sheriff's Annual Report of Gaol Property; the County Treasurer's Report, and the Report of the Medical Superintendent of the Industrial Home, were read and laid on the table.

No. 1—On motion of Mr. Cope, seconded by Mr. Squire,

Ordered,

That the Sheriff's Annual Report of Gaol Property be filed in the Clerk's Office, and that the County Surveyor be authorized to purchase the articles required in said report.

No. 2—On motion of Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Jamieson,

Ordered,

That the Report of the Medical Superintendent of the County Home be received and adopted.

No. 3—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Jamieson,

Ordered,

That the Financial Report of the County Treasurer, who reports the available assets of the County $14,731.12 at this date, be filed in the Clerk's Office for future reference.

No. 4—On motion of Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Cowan,

Ordered,

That the Clerk be authorized to procure the blank forms for the Minor Municipalities for the year 1906, viz.:—Resident and Non-resident Assessment Rolls; Resident and Non-resident Collector's Rolls; Assessment Notices; Voters' and Jury Lists.

No. 5—Mr. Squire gives notice that he will, on to-morrow or the day following, introduce a resolution declaring the advisability of this Council introducing a County Roads System, under the provisions of the "Act for the Improvement of Public Highways" and amendments thereto.

No. 6—On motion of Mr. Squire, seconded by Mr. Woodley,

Ordered,

That this Council do now go into Committee of the Whole on the questions referred thereto.

The Council went into Committee at 2:50 p m., Mr. Cowan in the chair. The Committee rose at 4:20 and the Council resumed its sitting.

No. 7—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Sutton,

Ordered,

That on the application of Mr. E. H. Eastman, for an extension of his Auctioneer's License for six months, on account of physical infirmities, be granted.

No. 8—On motion of Mr. Squire, seconded by Mr. Woodley,

Ordered,

That this Council no now adjourn to meet again to-morrow.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest:

E. Boughner,
County Clerk,
Co Norfolk.

THOS. HAMBLY,
Warden.

THIRD DAY.

COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
THURSDAY, DEC. 14TH, 1905.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members present.

The minutes of yesterday's Session were read and approved.

Messrs. H. H. Groff and Oliver Jarvis were present and addressed the Council, asking for a grant to the Norfolk Union Agricultural Society.

No. 1—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Jamieson,

Ordered,

That the verbal application of the Norfolk Union Fair for a grant of One Thousand Dollars be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council, with power to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Sutton brought up the report of the Special Committee on the Industrial Farm and Home.

No. 2—On motion of Mr. Jamieson, seconded by Mr. McCall,

Ordered,

That the report of the Special Committee on the Industrial Farm and Home be received and adopted.

The report received and adopted is as follows :

To the Warden and Council assembled.

Gentlemen,

Your Special Committee on the Industrial Farm and Home submit the following report :

In accordance with the instructions from the Council, at the June Session, we had erected in the barn at the Farm a track and slings for hoisting hay and grain, which has proved satisfactory.

We have procured a refrigerator for the purpose of keeping the butter separate from the meat, which has proved very satisfactory to the Master and Matron.

We had the insane woman, Mrs. Smith, removed to the Asylum at Hamilton.

We have held one meeting, on Oct. 19th, and awarded contracts for the following supplies : Beef, A. C. Lea, at 5¼ cents per lb., for fore quarters

Bread, C. F. Misner, at 4 cents per 1½ lb. loaf.

Oatmeal, N. J. H. Green, at $4.90 per bbl.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. Sutton,
E. Knight,
John Cope.

Committee Room, Dec 14th, 1905.

No. 3—On motion of Mr. Cope, seconded by Mr. Squire,

Ordered,

That on the application from R. Spencer, Master of the County Home, for more help on the Farm, that no action be taken at present.

No. 4—Mr. Squire, seconded by Mr. Knight, then introduced the resolution, of which he had given notice on the previous day, declaring the advisability of the Council taking the necessary proceedings to establish a County Roads System under the provisions of the "Act for the Improvement of Public Highways." A discussion arose thereon, in which all the members took a part, after which, with the consent of the Council, the motion was withdrawn.

A depution from the Norfolk Teachers' Institute was then introduced and Mr. Cook, P. S. Inspector, addressed the Council, asking that an additional day be granted the Teachers for Institute work.

Mr. Liddy, B. A., and Mr. Tibbetts, of Port Dover, addressed the Council in reference to High School Grants.

No. 5—On motion of Mr. Woodley, seconded by Mr. Squire,

Ordered,

That the matter of the verbal application of Mr. Liddy, B. A., for an additional grant to the Port Dover High School, be referred to the Education Committee of January Session 1906.

No. 6—On motion of Mr. Squire, seconded by Mr. Cope,

Ordered,

That the verbal application of Mr. Cook and others, asking that this Council grant Thursday, under Sec 91, School Regulations, as an additional day for a session of the Teachers' Institute be granted for the year 1906.

No. 7—Mr. Dick gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, introduce a Bill to ratify a certain By-Law of the Township of Middleton.

No. 8—On motion of Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. Cowan,

Ordered,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet again to-morrow at 9 a m.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest:

E. BOUGHNER,
County Clerk,
Co. Norfolk.

THOS. HAMBLY,
Warden.

FOURTH DAY.

County Council Chambers,
Friday, Dec. 15th, 1905.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members present.

Mr. Cope brought up the report of the Special Committee on Accounts.

No.1—On motion of Mr. Woodley, seconded by Mr. Dick,

Ordered,

That the report of the Special Committee on Accounts be received and adopted, and the Warden be authorized to issue his cheque on the County Treasurer for the several amounts entered in the Auditors' Book.

The report reads as follows:

To the Warden and members of Norfolk County Council.

Your Special Committee on Accounts beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined the different accounts for the County and the Industrial Home and find them correct and properly entered in the Auditors' Book.

We would recommend that the Clerk have One Hundred Copies of the Minutes of this Session printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the public.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN COPE, Chairman.
S. L. SQUIRE,
WM. SUTTON.

Committee Room, Dec. 15th, 1905.

Mr. Woodley brought up the report of the Committee on Public Buildings.

No. 2—On motion of Mr. Squire, seconded by Mr. Dick.

Ordered,

That the report of the Committee on Public Buildings be received, and the Warden is authorized to sign cheques for payment of work recommended.

The report is as follows:

To the Warden and Members of the County Council.

Your Committee on Public Buildings beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined the Gaol and found everything neat and clean and in good repair. There are at present eleven prisoners—nine males and two females.

We have examined the Registry Office and found the repairs on the furnace had not been made as recommended, but we expect the work will be done immediately.

We recommend that three globes and mantles be procured for gas burners, and that four be paid for, as Mr. Johnson had procured one.

Said repairs and fixtures to be made under the direction of the County Surveyor.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. Woodley, Chairman.
Robt. W. Dick,
John Cope.

Committee Room, Dec. 15, 1905.

No. 3—On motion of Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. Cowan,

Ordered,

That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to confirm By-Law No. 218 of Corporation of the Township of Middleton, and that said Bill be now read a first time.

And the Bill was read a first time.

No. 4—On motion of Mr. Cope, seconded by Mr. Squire,

Ordered,

That the said Bill be read a second time forthwith.

And the Bill was read a second time.

No. 5—On motion of Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Jamieson,

Ordered,

That the said Bill be now engrossed and read a third time.

And the Bill was read a third time.

No. 6—On motion of Mr. Woodley, seconded by Mr. Cope,

Ordered,

That the said Bill do now finally pass and become a By-Law of this Corporation, and be intituled as in the caption thereof.

And the By-Law passed and is as follows:

BY-LAW No. 350.

A By-Law to confirm By-Law No. 218, of the Township of Middleton.

Whereas it is necessary to confirm By-Law No. 218, of the Corporation of the Township of Middleton, a true copy of which is hereunto annexed.

Be it therefore enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Norfolk, in Council assembled, that By-Law No. 218 of the Corporation of the Township of Middleton, passed on the 10th day of July, A.D. 1905, is hereby confirmed.

Passed in open Council this 15th day of December, 1905.

Attest:

E. Boughner,
County Clerk,
Co. Norfolk.

Mr. McCall brought up the report of the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 7—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Jamieson,

Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report received and adopted is as follows:

Your Committee on Roads and Bridges beg leave to report as follows, viz.:

Your Committee has caused to be constructed a cement arch on the County boundary line, between the Townships of Townsend and Walpole, at a cost of one hundred dollars to the County. There has also been expended the sum of $10.50 on approach to Big Creek bridge; also an expenditure of $3.00 on approach to Little Otter Creek bridge; also an expendiiure of $3.00 on repairs to Port Burwell Gravel Road.

Your Committee also beg to report that they have been called by the County of Oxford, and Mr. Knight met the Oxford Commissioner at Branch Creek, on the boundary line between Norwich and Windham, and it is contemplated to erect, next year, a concrete bridge, to be covered with concrete.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. D. MCCALL, Chairman.
EDWARD KNIGHT,
ALEX. COWAN,
W. H. WOODLEY,
JAS. JAMIESON.

Committee Room, Dec. 15th, 1905.

Mr. Jamieson then brought up the report of the Standing Committee for the Industrial Farm and Home.

No. 8—On motion of Mr. Cowan, seconded by Mr. Dick,

Ordered,

That the report on the Industrial Farm and Home be received and adopted.

The following is the report :—

To the Warden and Members of the County Council.

Your Committee beg leave to present the following report on the Industrial Farm and Home.

We have visited the Farm and Home and found everything satisfactory.

The inmates are well cared for and are well satisfied with their treatment.

There are in the Home at present 39 men, 13 women and 1 child about 10 years old.

We recommend that the Special Committee add to the standing Rules and Regulations the following :—

1st—That all Inmates are required to bathe and change their underclothing once a week.

2nd—That no male Inmate shall be allowed to visit the female wards, and no female shall visit the male wards at any time.

3rd—Persons seeking admission will not be received into the Home after 5 p.m.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

James Jamieson, Chairman.
Geo. D. McCall,
Wm. Sutton,
S. L. Squire,
Robt. W. Dick,
E. Knight,
W. H. Woodley,
John Cope.

Committee Room, Dec. 15th, 1905.

No. 9—On motion of Mr. Jamieson, seconded by Mr. Sutton,

Ordered,

That the County Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to notify the Master of the Industrial Home to provide a special Christmas dinner for the Inmates.

No. 10—On motion of Mr. Squire, seconded by Mr. Cope,

Ordered,

That this Council do now go into Committee of the Whole to consider matters referred thereto.

The Council went into Committee at 10:20 a.m., Mr. Cowan in the chair. The Committee rose at 10:30, and the Council resumed its sitting.

Mr. Cowan then brought up the report of the Committee of the Whole.

No. 11—On motion of Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. Knight,

Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted, and the Warden is hereby authorized to issue his cheque in payment of the grant therein made.

The report reads as follows :—

To the Warden and Members of the County Council.

Your Committee of the Whole to whom was referred the various communications, after carefully considering all matters laid before them, beg leave to report as follows :—

1st—On the communication from S. H. Kent, Secretary of the Ontario Municipal Association, that no action be taken.

2nd—On the communication from the County Clerk of Waterloo, re Sanitarium for Consumptives, that no action be taken.

3rd—On the petition of Thos. C. Stackhouse and others, re Union S.S. No. 9, Charlotteville, that no action be taken.

4th—On the verbal application on behalf of the Norfolk Union Fair for a grant of One Thousand Dollars—that the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. COWAN, Chairman.

Committee Room, Dec. 15th, 1905.

No. 12—On motion of Mr. Cope, seconded by Mr. Squire,

Ordered,

That the Warden do now leave the chair, and the same be taken by Wm. Sutton, Esq.

No. 13—On motion of Mr. Squire, seconded by Mr. Cope,

Ordered,

That the thanks of this Council be tendered to Warden Thomas Hambly, Esq., for the able and impartial manner with which he has dealt with the various matters which have come before us during the past year, and that he is hereby authorized to draw his cheque for Fifty Dollars, in favor of himself, to defray the contingent expenses in connection with his office.

No. 14—On motion of Mr. Cowan, seconded by Mr. Knight,

Ordered,

That Wm. Sutton, Esq., do now vacate the chair, and the Warden resume the same.

The Warden, before taking the chair thanked the members of the Council in appropriate terms for the resolution, and for the courteous manner in which they had treated him during his term of office.

No. 15—On motion of Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. Woodley,

Ordered,

That this Council do now adjourn sine die.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest:

E. Boughner,
County Clerk,
Co. Norfolk.